Creel Survey November 30, 2015 Contributed by Joe Hymer

Salmon/Steelhead

Cowlitz River – 48 bank anglers kept 2 adult and 5 jack coho and released 3 adult fall Chinook, 1 coho jack, and 1 summer run steelhead. 4 boat anglers had no catch.

Last week Tacoma Power recovered 273 coho adults, 172 jacks, 59 fall Chinook adults, two jacks, five summer-run steelhead, two winter run steelhead and 20 cutthroat trout during four days of operations at the Cowlitz Salmon Hatchery separator.

During the past week Tacoma Power employees released one fall Chinook adult, 15 coho adult and 24 jacks at Franklin Bridge in Packwood and 34 coho adults, 61 jacks, four cutthroat trout and one winter run steelhead into the Cispus River near the mouth of Yellow Jacket Creek.

During the week, Tacoma Power released 111 coho adults, 87 jacks, 52 fall Chinook adults, two jacks and 13 cutthroat trout into the Tilton River at Gust Backstrom Park in Morton.

Of the 3,300 summer-run steelhead that have been recycled during the 2015 season, a total of 1,679 have been accounted for through November 27.

River flows at Mayfield Dam are approximately 13,400 cubic feet per second on Monday, November 30. Water visibility is three feet.

North Fork Lewis River – 10 bank anglers kept 1 adult coho. 9 boat anglers kept 3 adult fall Chinook and 2 adult coho plus released 1 adult fall Chinook and 1 adult coho.

Flows below Merwin Dam are currently 7,880 cfs, just over the long term mean for this date.

Trout

Klineline Pond – 67 bank anglers kept 49 rainbows and 1 brood stock rainbow. Anglers using Powerbait/marshmallows in the south swimming area had the best success.